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House Bill 187

By: Representatives Scott of the 2nd, Royal of the 171st, Greene of the 149th, Martin of the 47th, Parsons of the 42nd, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

- 1 To amend Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia
- 2 Annotated, relating to sales tax for educational purposes, so as authorize certain expenditures;
- 3 to provide for the payment of expenses related to elections; to provide for an effective date;
- 4 to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

- 7 Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating
- 8 to sales tax for educational purposes, is amended by adding new Code sections to read as
- 9 follows:

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- 10 "48-8-144.
- 11 For the purposes of a sales tax for educational purposes levied pursuant to Article VIII,
- 12 Section VI, Paragraph IV of the Constitution of Georgia, the term 'capital outlay for
- educational purposes' shall include expenditures for capital projects consisting of road,
- street, bridge, utility, and other improvements which are considered project improvements
- as defined in paragraph (14) of Code Section 36-71-2 and shall not include system
- improvements as defined in paragraph (19) of Code Section 36-71-2.
- 17 48-8-145.
- 18 The expense of the election required as a condition of levying a sales tax for educational
- purposes shall be paid from funds of the county school district proposing the levy. Where
- 20 the levy is proposed by a county school district and one or more independent school
- 21 districts, the expense shall be paid by each school district pro rata according to the
- distribution of net proceeds specified in subparagraph (g) of Article VIII, Section VI,
- 23 Paragraph IV of the Constitution of Georgia."

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SECTION 2.

- 2 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
- 3 without such approval.

4 SECTION 3.

5 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.